

UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Colder temperatures along with snow storms occurred throughout the state for the month of February, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. According to the latest U.S. Drought Monitor report, 57 percent of the state is experiencing exceptional drought (D4), 33 percent of the state is experiencing extreme drought (D3), and the rest of the state is in severe drought (D2) or moderate drought (D1). Topsoil moisture level conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 45 percent last month to 52 percent. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs receiving supplemental feed are at 84 percent and 64 percent, respectively. Calving and lambing are 15 percent and 13 percent, respectively. Box Elder, Garfield, and Kane Counties report livestock producers are busy with calving. Beaver County reports livestock producers are having calving issues due to recent snow storms. As of February 22, 2021, snowpack in Utah was 79 percent measured as percent of median snowfall. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 6 percent very short, 37 percent short, 53 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated 23 percent very short, 24 percent short, 52 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

Note: The next monthly report will be released for March on Monday, March 29, 2021. The first weekly report will be released on Monday, April 5, 2021.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Cattle and calves						
Cows calved	15	8	13	NA		
Receiving supplemental feed	84	82	88	NA		
Sheep and lambs						
Ewes lambed – farm flock	13	5	20	NA		
Ewes lambed – range flock	5	2	2	NA		
Receiving supplemental feed	64	65	69	NA		

 $NA-not\ available$

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Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	16	14		NA
Short	32	41	15	NA
Adequate	50	44	85	NA
Surplus	2	1		NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	29	19		NA
Short	37	29	14	NA
Adequate	32	51	86	NA
Surplus	2	1		NA

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range	•	•	•	*
Very poor	28	23		NA
Poor	38	37	3	NA
Fair	28	28	31	NA
Good	5	11	58	NA
Excellent	1	1	8	NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor	5	5		NA
Poor	16	23	18	NA
Fair	55	57	60	NA
Good	21	15	22	NA
Excellent	3			NA
Cattle and calves				
Very poor	1	1		NA
Poor	7	4	1	NA
Fair	30	29	18	NA
Good	59	64	72	NA
Excellent	3	2	9	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor				NA
Poor	4	4	1	NA
Fair	40	31	42	NA
Good	53	63	52	NA
Excellent	3	2	5	NA

NA – not available

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